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## DEMOCRACY

**A Democracy is Founded Upon Equal Rights, Equal Duties and Equal Responsibilities For All Citizens.**

## A LIBERTY BOND IN THE HOME

We should like to see a Liberty Bond in every home in St. Louis. Especially in the case of the Negro. This probably will be the last opportunity to express your faith in the cause of Democracy in this country.

We should like to see the Fourth Liberty Loan sign up a window of every house on Laclede and Pine. In fact, in every Negro home in St. Louis. Such a sight would challenge the respect and admiration of our citizens' claim.

We know it will call for some sacrifice, but think of the cause. Think how each dollar will make life more comfortable for the soldier. When we think of these things and think of the liberal soldiers that are offered a payment in advance, we can easily say, "This bond is the most important thing in a bond after this drive is over, surely will look like a house in a 'God-Forsaken Land.' Duty demands that you have a Liberty Bond.

## DEFEAT OF WOMAN SUFFRAGE DUE TO RACE HATE

In spite of President Wilson's wish to have the Woman Suffrage Amendment become a Constitutional War Measure, opponents following the traitorous lead of race hatred born in Jim Sharn Williams, the Negro of the State of Mississippi, were victorious and the measure went down to defeat.

Williams of Mississippi declared in the course of the debate that he "loved the President personally, perhaps better than any other man in the Senate," but he was unable to follow him in suffrage.

"When the President says we can't kick Lindbergh, wear Bulgaria, and persecute Peletier because Negroes in Mississippi didn't vote, I decline to agree with him," said Williams.

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There are thousands of white men in this country claiming its freedom, who would rather see Georgia win the war than see the American Negro given a square deal and an equal opportunity.

Every man who wears a Liberty Bond button or who parades as a 100 per cent American is not a friend to America, and every man who thinks that the Negro is not a valuable asset in America and deserves as anyone else will wake up soon, to find himself mistaken.

## ABOLITION JIM CROW

Unless the government of the United States accepts the doctrine of state rights, which has been presented the Civil War and the legislation subsequent thereto definitely settled, when the government assumed control of the railroads of the country, all Jim Crow laws, enacted by the southern states, automatically ceased. There is no longer any right in the South to discriminate against the Negro, to put the Jim Crow cars out of business. They are not only unjust and undemocratic, but illegal and unconstitutional.

Railroads are federalized, as we believe they should be, not only as a war measure, but as a fixed and permanent policy, and under federal control there cannot be one rule or policy for one section of the republic and an entirely opposite policy for another section.

If passengers who can afford to pay for them are entitled to certain comforts, conveniences and advantages in one section of the country, then by God, they are entitled to the same comfort and convenience in another section of the country. None. And no one, worthy of the name, will tolerate such things, where it is in control. The United States government is a worthy government. It is pure in absolute control of the railroads. How long will such a government tolerate to plain a violation of its very fundamental principles? Not long.

I will not say that under federal control all inequalities or deprivations of rights of citizens of the United States, which may have been enacted into law by the several states in direct abridgement of these rights to which all citizens of the United States are entitled, automatically cease? It is indeed fitting for Mr. McAdoo, director-general of the railroads, to do in the matter of railroad passenger accommodations what he has done wisely and kindly done in the matter of colored passengers, to do in a similar manner.

He has destroyed and the Government of the country has backed him on, because the Justice of his decision is recognized by the American people, who at heart believe in justice and fair play, that they shall be equal in all social work available to all alike, irrespective of race or color.

He has abolished the Jim Crow wage scale, because it was iniquitous and unfair. He has done what he did, because he has invested his entire soul in the task that there is no room for discrimination in social affairs for all the colored people. This is an extremely fair and just that the sentiment of the country will back him.

But whether the sentiment of the country does or does not sustain him, it is the only right thing to do and we believe that William A. McAdoo has the courage and manhood to do the right in this matter, as he did in that of wages. The Jim Crow wage system on railroads was wrong and it has been abolished. The Jim Crow car system is wrong and because it is wrong it will be abolished. —Omaha Monitor.

PRASWORTHY REACTIONS FROM THE NEGROES.—"Aren't you glad to see us?" asks the following Negro family, who have just returned from Europe. "For the benefit of homesick Negroes, who might never return, here are some simple ways to keep your home while you are away."

Now, get in a hurry, and decide to attend the State Association of Teachers meeting in St. Louis, Oct. 11-12. You will be glad to learn that it is intended to make dry and facts very beneficial to the people.

Let the Association know now, so that you can be seated at 12 at 10 am, an hour or complete to 17 hours a week.

Tell everyone about your family wage and our dying will be at your door.

The article referred to is:

SPECIAL RATES OF FAMILY WAGE.

Advertisement made by the American

Loyalty Co., to honorably serve the

Poor, the Money and Labor.

Dated Oct. 10, 1912.

## FIGHTING FOR UNCLE SAM



William Washington

Of 314th Field Artillery, the Seventh

Ward boys who went to Camp

Funston September 27, in charge of

a squad, has been promoted to Clerk

Sergeant.

Sergeant James H. Williams, 432d St.

Artillery, Corps of Engineers, and Felix

Williams, son of Mrs. Alice, 272

4214 W. Lucky, Sergeant Harry E. Wil-

lison, 1113 N. Sarah; have been heard

from in France.

Lawrence R. Turner, better known

as V. V. Turner, is now in Camp Polson,

Montana, in charge of his company.

He wishes to send regards to his

friends. He is in the best of health.

The wife of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Turner, Tun-

er, is now in France.

Colonel Edward G. Williams, 30th Infan-

try, and his wife, were given a big

salute and a welcome by their

friends, and the future soldiers were

cheered all along the line. There were

several drafted Louis boys among

those in the ranks being gathered.

The new Y. M. C. A. building

will soon be completed.

Friends of Private Sidney G. Costello

have received word that he has ar-

rived safely over seas.

It is reported that Corp. Chas. Edell

Eddar is enjoying health in France

and is stationed with Company D, 317

Infantry, American Expeditionary

Corps.

STATEMENT OF THE OWNERSHIP,

MANAGEMENT, AND CIRCULATION,

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State of Missouri, County of St. Louis.

I, J. E. Mitchell, publish-

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